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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

<i>Application Number</i>	10/084,379
<i>Filing Date</i>	February 28, 2002
<i>First Named Inventor</i>	A. HIROTSUNE
<i>Group Art Unit</i>	3621
<i>Examiner Name</i>	E.J. Augustin
<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	H&A-108

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB129) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000) 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000) which establishes RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____.
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.
iii. ☐ Other _____.
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other _____.


2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-1417.
- i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.117(e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other _____.
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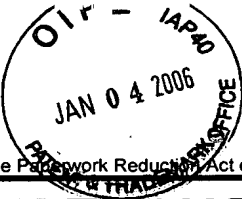
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2005 (H.R. 4818).

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Fee Code	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1011 300	2011 150	Utility filing fee	
1012 200	2012 105	Design filing fee	
1013 200	2013 100	Plant filing fee	
1014 300	2014 150	Reissue filing fee	
1005 200	2005 100	Provisional filing fee	
1111 500	2111 250	Utility Search fee	
1112 100	2112 50	Design Search fee	
1113 300	2113 150	Plant Search fee	
1114 500	2114 250	Reissue Search fee	
1311 200	2311 100	Utility Ex. fee	
1312 130	2312 65	Design Ex. fee	
1313 160	2313 80	Plant Ex. fee	
1314 600	2314 300	Reissue Ex. fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)			0.00

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Large Entity Fee Code	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1202 50	2202 25	Claims in excess of 20	
1201 200	2201 100	Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203 360	2203 180	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204 200	2204 100	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205 50	2205 25	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
SUBTOTAL (2) \$			0.00

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Fee Code	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1051 130	2051 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052 50	2052 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053 130	2053 130	Non-English specification	
1081 250	2081 125	Utility Application Size fee - for each 50 over 100	
1082 250	2082 125	Design Application Size fee - for each 50 over 100	
1812 2,520	2812 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804 920*	2804 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examination action	
1805 1,840*	2805 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251 120	2251 60	Extension for reply within first month	
1252 450	2252 225	Extension for reply within second month	
1253 1020	2253 510	Extension for reply within third month	
1254 1,590	2254 795	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255 2,160	2255 1,080	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401 500	2401 250	Notice of Appeal	
1402 500	2402 250	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403 1000	2403 500	Request for oral hearing	
1451 1,510	2451 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452 500	2452 250	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453 1,500	2453 750	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501 1,400	2501 700	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502 800	2502 400	Design issue fee	
1503 1,100	2503 550	Plant issue fee	
1460 130	2460 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807 50	2807 50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806 180	2806 180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021 40	2021 40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809 790	2809 395	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
1810 790	2810 395	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	790
1801 790	2801 395	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802 900	2802 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application.	
Other fee (specify)			
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